

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Takahiro KIMOTO

Title: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR CODING MOVING
PICTURE, AND METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR DECODING
MOVING PICTURE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 26 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: